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4. [REDACTED] Edward Braswell, Staff Director of the Senate Armed Services Committee, called to say that Senator Sam J. Ervin (D., N. Car.) talked to him about the Agency's problems with S. 782. The Senator mentioned that Agency representatives had met with him but according to Braswell their comments concerning the bill had been extremely general in nature. He told Braswell that he planned to reply to Mr. Helms' letter requesting an Agency appearance in executive session. In his reply he will suggest that the Agency propose specific language which it would like to have included in the bill. Senator Ervin also told Braswell that he would want the Agency to be more specific with regard to our problems with S. 782. Braswell recommended that we do nothing further until we receive Senator Ervin's letter. When we respond he feels that this should include a personal visit from the Director to the Senator.

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5. [REDACTED] Met with Mr. Robert Michaels, House Appropriations Committee staff, concerning Chairman Mahon's request for a worldwide intelligence presentation for the Defense Subcommittee of Appropriations. Mr. Michaels advised that the Chairman has scheduled the 13th and the morning of the 14th for the Director's presentation but that we had been successful last year and the year before in completing the Committee's questioning in one day. In keeping with the Chairman's schedule, however, he would appreciate it if the Director's schedule could be blocked for the morning of the 14th in the event it is necessary to carry over. He indicated that the Chairman and Committee would be particularly interested in ABM and ICBM, both Soviet and ChiCom; South East Asia; South America, with some emphasis on Peru; the Middle East; and, Berlin depending on the status of that problem at the time of meeting. He noted the Chairman is quite interested in Spain and would be interested in our estimate as to what may happen on the question of succession on General Franco's death and whether the succession question has any bearing on the present negotiations with Spain. Mr. Michaels will advise if other specific questions are identified by the Chairman. [REDACTED] has been advised.

Mr. Michaels also requested a thorough security check of the Committee staff rooms as well as the hearing rooms on the morning of the 13th of March. The Office of Security has been advised.

I briefed Mr. Michaels on the number of Soviet operational ICBMs on launcher.

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